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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ralf WOLLESCHEFSKY et al. Group: 2878
Serial No.: 10/081,096 Examiner: Otilia GABOR
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For: ARRANGEMENT FOR THE OPTICAL CAPTURE OF EXCITED AND/OR BACKSCATTERED LIGHT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed on June 18, 2003.

Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$950.00 which covers the fee for the three-month extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1529.

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Respectfully submitted,
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